

Thursday Morning, Nov 3, 1870.

Our Position.

A convulsive and not very scrupulous attempt is being made to place this journal in a false position with respect to the railway terminus controversy now going on in this community; and, inasmuch as it is not impossible that some minds might become mystified by the diurnal out-put of an impossible political scismatic, we may be excused for offering a few words in explanation of our position. From the inception of the controversy this journal took the position that the agitation was ill-timed, promised no practical beneficial results, and might lead to much harm. Having agreed to give the Dominion Government two years (this Colony offered them three) in which to complete the necessary surveys, we held that it was unreasonable to ask that Government virtually to decide both the route and the terminus of the transcontinental railway before Union, and, consequently, before the survey could possibly be commenced, that it was out of the power of the Canadian Government to concede such a thing; and, moreover, we took the position that should this unreasonable demand take the form of a *sine qua non* of union—a proposition long denied, but, nevertheless, intended by its advocates, it would render Confederation impossible and, consequently, the railway and all the other public works and benefits comprised in the Terms equally impossible. We held the natural advantages presented by Victoria and Esquimalt to be so palpable and so great as to insure the terminus being here, should no insurmountable engineering difficulties be found to present themselves in the way of bringing the transcontinental railway across the waters which separate Vancouver Island from the Mainland; and we stated it as our determination to exert every effort, at the proper time and in the proper way, towards securing the terminus at a point which would not only render the railway a greater benefit to this the principal community in the Colony, but which would greatly contribute towards its successes as an international highway, by giving it an enormous advantage in point of terminus over the Northern Pacific Railway with which it must be thrown into more direct competition for the carrying trade of Europe and Asia. But, while such was our aim and object, it was impossible to conceal from ourselves the fact that while the present agitation was ill-timed and impossible of practical beneficial results, it might take a form which, should its promoters succeed in securing a majority in the Legislature—a rather improbable contingency—might break up the Terms and indefinitely delay Confederation. And the worst of the story was that delay did not mean better terms, could not imply impossible concessions; for it must be plain that if Confederation were delayed five years, there would still exist the obvious necessity of making the survey before locating the route and terminus of the transcontinental railway. Thus far our object was the same as that by which the other party profess to be actuated; the chief difference being that we propose to attain that object in what we conceived to be a legitimate, efficacious and safe way. There is, however, another point in respect of which this journal has had to differ with the party alluded to. Even could it be made to appear that the transcontinental railway cannot and will not find a terminus at Victoria and Esquimalt, we would still be unprepared to reject Confederation upon the Terms now before the country. In the first place this community is scarcely in a position to say that the whole colony shall be deprived of the admittedly enormous advantages of Confederation simply and solely because the terminus of the transcontinental railway cannot be secured to it. It might be mislaid into the false position of making such a declaration; but it appears to us extremely problematical as to whether it could carry the point. In the second place, we do not think so ill of the position and natural advantages of Victoria as to admit nearly as much as its self-constituted champions admit. Unquestionably it would be greatly more to the advantage of Victoria to have the railway terminate here; and it is fitting that every legitimate effort should be made to bring it. But we are very far from believing that the terminus anywhere else in the colony means utter ruin to Victoria. Indeed, even if the other local works and advantages promised to Victoria in the Terms were left out of sight, it is impossible to believe that a change which must confer such enormous advantages upon the Colony, as it is admitted on all hands Confederation will confer, could fail relatively to benefit this part of it. To talk, therefore, about Confederation with the terminus anywhere else being utter ruin to Victoria is simply to utter the most palpable nonsense—it is a mere appeal to local prejudices and passions, a weapon which the political demagogue knows so well how to wield. Such is, in brief, the position occupied by this journal, a position from which neither it nor anyone connected with it has in the slightest degree swerved from first to last. And it is the position which must win—which will stand firm after the waves of angry passion and unreason shall have swept away the miserable tricksters who gave rise to them.

By Electric Telegraph.

SPECIAL TO THE DAILY BRITISH COLONIST.

LAST NIGHT'S DISPATCHES.

California.

[EXCLUSIVE DISPATCH TO THE DAILY BRITISH COLONIST.]

SAN FRANCISCO, 31st Oct, 1870.

The drawing of prizes in the great Lottery commenced at 9 o'clock this morning. The Pavilion was crowded with men, women and children, and the excitement was intense.

The first number, 10 511, drew \$19,000.

The 112th prize, No 110,156, drew \$50,000.

At 2 o'clock number 154 077 drew \$100,000.

The lucky man was in the Pavilion at the time and was overcome with his good fortune. He was quite poor. The crowd cheered lustily.

It will be midnight before all the prizes are drawn.

The following numbers drew \$100:

140192 62690 45892 142552 81515 150341

15817 188757 131006 142707 162758 6210

104911 176931 141856 123008 160359

191944 144465 51767 188576 47693 40026

150128 186707 101248 199836 149586

122870 130837 136638 68063 147180

2370 187764 11263 69959 199427 15539

131202 49322 51964 171007 186436 115228

108494 199745 87280 149531 150128

186707 15817 188757 131026 142797

162750 104911 176931 142856 10418 151749

37531 25780 130798 1518 132900 163006

106314 145684 109016 84554 162007 148673

135058 144380 186951 26494 85234 58395

10800 8631 86318 109377 19878 52244

18605 112379 133674 197876 29763 14411

167605 199934 197184 53315 159105 198929

53900 42397 43843 32771 110558 152521

53943 91803 164818 62267 116383 56136

72876 86239 35420 69841 14535 190532

160853 45732 14413 145406 84658 166181

56179 149263 45254 130895 110951 134586

398 1564 169844 4120 117205 8383 27834

91592 39477 118640 157878 37441 193182

35330 61063 125151 190029 172028 191603

29226 155717 164055 119522 8217 107311

192898 124625 107976 165746 40681 142832

148903 37896 15653 133430 166648 68852

127455 191320 97531 114304 76833 154546

29607 191198 103649 143781 122711 101671

94729 101671 74784 26483 180380 40599

143288 195566 194903 149364 176655

146009 183965 198335 22844 149659 18455

111867 30643 180895 191359 61634 78387

43464 86293 54625 84009 184547 74043

64375 74390 139552 13936 38068 22425

73824 46399 189133 150603 34433 132055

171999 177060 124187 165102 41993 59752

164389 160400 168742 198334 178723 7028

186666 93112 152603 144040 125560 11110

67373 2174 69383 159684 145149 56440

186352 12571 125791 116722 43385 68606

797350 61288 176860 100461 143091 167594

191567 192056 81886 144822 157225 151487

171665 56791 113792 45911 127292 68

164289 5595 79229 136791 33134 104580

104109 173525 57890 160166 40778 92133

31316 16995 111704 87748 186484 141602

823 189938 54902 12483 118589 56633

120849 129881 177870 163416 52996 181487

12576 194549 138389 23445 116715 15157

113710 176446 39379 72119 86153 183512

80795 78247 163627 163507 151270

191890 114622 80211 36901 129449

162748 19775 51179 139232 199298 3434

188047 173744 124029 67768 14746 21847

65918 154005 25277 142793 40746 147919

86054 132601 135291 174331 36271 134083

155886 178082 87746 13242 181667 1174

104053 37648 96895 93790 129369 12652

190068 76454 172581 117044 36212 32790

14225 24487 26670 176733 51224 18489

98119 123820 157425 102850 80279 126358

120666 184531 39616 22899 157186 88807

19943 11528 195003 132186 29286 129273

6157 175666 192641 191903 44556 44666

13242 181667 1811 3565 5566 3448 12847

128413 110014 34211 1252

The following numbers drew \$200:

159779 131836 132720 151672 132234

25715 193048 86250 33734 1228841 97748

102387 149656 140421 157392 43490 81720

180961 9314 182215 5516 194674 158644

103079 13378 103378 174311 167189 86125

171651 57737 164202 179529 172894 101079

52155 169204 108179 16091 28991 69269

169512 100638 81542 162808 57737 17044

132750 26120 140991 77892 36602.

The following numbers drew \$300:

131912 171185 17171 30489 121875 4501

62567 154101 31481 61156 158212 103608

146720 34467 12561 65089 63702 107526

87308 97053 47613 73677 71016 97078

59917 82055 55883 39838 45292 158877

153339 127290 83965 14470 32207 130948

12188 25711 9297 10065 14778.

The following numbers drew \$400:

86330 143120 13070 155076 108810 6250

55499 160919 185107 181785 185954 14542

162374 11843 132486 6356 184206 20984

152380 61136 59484 121425 125847 6846

13305 17186 133185 186204 34965.

The following numbers drew \$500:

36557 1886 11744 106904 68637 110714

153209 151816 120432 16389 55008 48699

45721 95489 77539 134546 102110 62991

The following drew \$750:

60713 176608 39091 26973 131725 6838

176767 192293 144157 17524 101860 8670

185460 95720 96529 97789 123132 49291

54831 55473.

The following drew \$1000:

59231 49435 176589 183445 52929 34034

17474 52121 13061 9419.

No 194379 drew \$1500.

No 147534 drew \$2000.

No 125696 drew \$3000.

No 55484 drew \$4000.

No 146040 drew \$5000.

No 83955 drew \$6000.

No 188152 drew \$7000.

No 109477 drew \$8000.

No 47254 drew \$9000.

No 96833 drew \$10,000.

No 176999 drew \$11,000.

No 54880 drew \$12,000.

No 88641 drew \$13,000.

No 31878 drew \$14,000.

No 58305 drew \$15,000.

No 151840 drew \$16,000.

No 130921 drew \$17,000.

No 16284 drew \$18,000.

No 10511 drew \$19,000.

No 151890 drew \$20,000.

No 79888 drew \$25,000.

No 110156 drew \$50,000.

No 154077 drew \$100,000.

Europe.

New York, Oct 29.—The Herald's cable

dispatch attributes the surrender of Metz

to starvation and gives an account of it. The

Times' special correspondent says Bazaine

was very popular with his army. Women

and children were dying at a fearful rate in

Metz before the surrender. Marshal Lebou-

is a prisoner and refuses his parole, preferring

to go to Germany.

London, Oct 29.—The States of North and

South Germany are said to agree to name

King William as Emperor. The spoils of the

surrender at Metz include 3000 guns, forty

millions of francs of the French war fund and

twenty millions of the French civil Govern-

ment funds.

Berlin, Oct 29.—The two sons of King

William have been honored with the title of

Field-marshal.

Tours, Oct 30.—The Prussians were re-

puted at Panniers after seven hours fight-

ing.

London, Oct 30.—It is estimated that the

Germans have taken, up to the present date,

320,000 French prisoners. A new organiza-

tion called the French Wildbores, of Arden-

ness, are interrupting the German communi-

cations and cutting railways, &c.

Tours, Oct 30.—Gambetta has issued a

strong proclamation, denouncing Bazaine as

a traitor, and urging the French to arouse

themselves and fight for justice and right.

Gen Sheridan maintains a rigid silence as

to the war, and says all statements or opinions

said to have been expressed by him are un-

authorized; the time has not yet come for

him to speak.

Tours, Oct 31.—Bourbaki issued a procla-

mation to his army.

Versailles, Oct 31.—On receipt of the news

of the capture of Metz great enthusiasm pre-

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Shipping Intelligence.

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inch gun was tested. This is third or largest

gun of the system, and is made with six, some-

times with ten barrels, and discharges solid

balls half a pound in weight. It also uses a

cassiter cartridge which contains sixteen

balls. It also discharges explosive balls with

great effect. At this test it discharged 255

half-pound balls in one minute and eighteen

seconds, and riddled the target at 1,400 yards.

On the same day the small gun (No 1) was

again discharged at 1,400 yards, and made an

excellent target, firing about 375 shots a

minute. It was also fired at dummies repre-

sented a company front, on uneven ground,

the men being disposed in irregular order.

There were 135 dummies, representing men,

ninety-nine of whom could have been killed.

The average hits were four in each man. Yes-

terday the small gun was again fired at var-

ious ranges from 1200 down to 400 yards at

targets and at dummies. The firing was at

the same rate and speed as before, making the

same targets and producing the same de-

structive effect among the dummies. All on

the ground seemed to agree that they had

seen the operation of a weapon of unprece-

dented power.

The Latest Horror.

(From the Saginaw (Mich.) Republican)

It has been known for some time past that

a dirty, wretched old man lived outside the

city about a mile or so, in a filthy little cabin

entirely alone, and that he was a hermit.

No one ever went near him, for it was said

he was a magician. His only companion

was a skeleton-looking dog. He came into

the city sometimes to beg and would pite-

ously implore charity, stating that he was

starving. Sometimes he would gather rags

or scraps of paper and sell them. Everyone

supposed him to be wretchedly poor. He

had an evil look and mothers would remove

their children when they saw him coming.

One day last week, however, a child, the son

of Mr. Abraham Skinner, went out alone to

fish in the stream, and happened to wander

until, before he was aware of it he came

to the house of the old man. At first he was

frightened, but seeing no one around he

plucked up courage and went nearer. Every

thing was silent. He went and looked in

through a crack in the side of the hut. He

almost screamed at what he saw, for he be-

held the old man bending over a bag of coin

that he was counting. There were other

bags beside him containing large quantities of

money. The boy was so terrified that when

he attempted to move he stumbled. Like

lightning the old man rushed out and seized

him. "Ha," he screamed, "I've caught you,

have I? You saw me, did you? Well, now

you'll pay for it," and before the lad could

say a word the monster, with an awful

laugh, drew out a knife and (oh, horror!) cut

the child's tongue out. Then he chopped off

his fingers. "Now, you can go, for you can-

not tell," he said. The boy ran over with

pain to his father's house, only to find them

with consternation. What was the matter

with their child? He could not speak to

tell them. He could not write, for his fig-

ures were cut. Still the poor boy, after ef-

forts of the most horrible pain, managed to

fix a pencil between his bloody stumps of

fingers and wrote the awful tale. A party

was immediately organized and hastened to

the miser's den. He was at the door as they

approached and fired a revolver at them,

wounding two of the party seriously. Mr

Skinner returned the fire and the aged vil-

lain fell with a piercing yell, mortally wound-

ed. "My money—my money!" he moaned,

"my beautiful money!" and he crawled to

his bags of gold and sank upon them—a

corpse. Over \$10,000 was discovered and

was presented to the poorhouse and other

charitable institutions. The child is slowly

recovering. The miser was buried next day

and the hut torn down.

THE EMPRESS CARLOTTA.—One of the

strangest effects of the present war in

Europe—happily a grateful result—has

been the salutary influence on the health

of the unfortunate ex-Empress of Mex-

ico. The eminent physicians in attend-

ance upon her Majesty believed that the

news of the Prussian victories would do

good to their royal patient's mind, and

the result has justified their anticipa-

tions. The intelligence of the German

successes was no sooner communicated

than her mind seemed to resume the

long broken thread of consciousness.

Thenceforward she has continued to be

absorbed in the news of the day, and

there is now a hope that she may com-

pletely recover.

"ISH DAT ALL."—Two Dutch farmers at

Kinderhook whose farms were adjacent were

out in their respective fields when one heard

an unusually loud hallooing in the direction

of a gap in a high stone wall, and ran with

all his speed to the place, and the following

brief conversation ensued:

"Shon, what ish do matter?"

"Vell, den," says John, "I vas trying to

climb on de top of di high stone wall, and

I fell off, and all de stone wall tumbled

down onto me and has broken one of mine

legs off and both mine arms and smashed

mine ribs in, and deese pig stones are laying

on de top of mine body."

"Ish dat all," said the other, "yy you hel-

low so big loud I tot you got de toufache."

REMEMBER THE FATE OF ABALOM.—Fred

Payne, Tonsorial Artist, Shaving 124 cents

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